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Letter dated 1 June 2000 from the Secretary-General to the President of the General Assembly

1. At present, 38 Member States are in arrears under the terms of Article 19 of the Charter of the United Nations, which states as follows:

> "A Member of the United Nations which is in arrears in the payment of its financial contributions to the Organization shall have no vote in the General Assembly if the amount of its arrears equals or exceeds the amount of the contributions due from it for the preceding two full years. The General Assembly may, nevertheless, permit such a Member to vote if it is satisfied that the failure to pay is due to conditions beyond the control of the Member."

2. The minimum payments necessary to reduce the amounts owed by those Member States on their contributions so that they remain below the gross amount assessed for the preceding two full years (1998-1999) are the following:

	United States dollars
Antigua and Barbuda	10 000.00
Bosnia and Herzegovina[a]	7 407.32
Burundi	246 800.00
Cape Verde	130 900.00
Central African Republic	260 700.00
Chad	34 700.00
Comoros[a]	766 500.00
Congo[b]	463 612.23
Djibouti	139 100.00
Dominica	87 778.00
Ecuador	185 959.04
Gambia	128 806.00
Georgia[c]	6 041 100.00
Grenada	82 658.00

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	United States dollars
Guinea	84 100.00
Guinea-Bissau[b]	412 800.00
Haiti	17 741.00
Iraq	11 134 000.00
Kyrgyzstan	801 579.83
Liberia	1 088 500.00
Madagascar	114 632.37
Mauritania	164 581.00
Niger	279 200.00
Republic of Moldova	2 458 393.00
Rwanda	60 806.99
Saint Lucia	20 965.00
Saint Vincent and the Grenadines	114 981.00
Sao Tome and Principe	543 200.00
Seychelles	137 500.00
Sierra Leone	135 600.00
Somalia	944 600.00
Tajikistan[a]	2 181 759.00
Togo	103 600.00
Turkmenistan	339 473.00
Ukraine	11 113 547.91
Vanuatu	123 981.00
Yemen	10 111.00
Yugoslavia	14 109 200.00

[a] By its resolution 53/36 F of 28 July 1999, the General Assembly decided that Bosnia and Herzegovina, the Comoros and Tajikistan would be permitted to vote in the Assembly until 30 June 2000.

[b] By its decision 53/406 C of 7 April 1999, the General Assembly decided that the Congo, Guinea-Bissau and Nicaragua would be permitted to vote in the Assembly until 30 June 2000.

[c] By its decision 54/455 A of 23 December 1999, the General Assembly decided that Georgia would be permitted to vote until 30 June 2000.

(*Signed*) Kofi **Annan**
Secretary-General